REMARKS

Careful consideration has been given to the Official Action of June 19, 2003 and reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

Claims 32-48 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Thus, claims 1-31 have been canceled and claims 32-40, 43, and 47-48 have been amended accordingly. Therefore, claims 32-48 as now presented are deemed allowable.

For the above reasons it is respectfully submitted that the application is in allowable condition and favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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